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SUBJECT: SPANISH SAHARA: CALL BY FRONT POLISARIO REPRESENTATIVE

1. INDIVIDUAL CLAIMING TO BE "MILITANT" OF FRONT POLISARIO  
PAID LOW-KEY CALL ON EMBASSY JULY 25.

2. REPRESENTATIVE, WHO GAVE HIS NAME AS HAKIM ADEL, STATED  
PURPOSE HIS VISIT WAS SIMPLY TO ESTABLISH CONTACT WITH  
"FRIENDLY" COUNTRIES WHO SUPPORT UN PRINCIPLES AND TO EXPLAIN  
POLISARIO GOALS. HE CLAIMED POLISARIO LEADERSHIP NOT AWARE  
OF HIS CALL BUT "WOULD BE SHORTLY." HE SAID HE PLANNED VISIT  
OTHER EMBASSIES AS WELL.

3. HIS PREPARED COMMENTS CONTAINED NOTHING NEW. HE REITERATED  
SUPPORT FOR SELF-DETERMINATION OF SAHAROU I PEOPLE AND  
DENOUNCED MOROCCAN/MAURITANIAN DISREGARD FOR UN PRINCIPLES  
AND "PEOPLE'S SOVEREIGNTY" IN THEIR SEARCH FOR  
MINERAL WEALTH. HE SAID POLISARIO WOULD ACCEPT ANY SOLUTION  
OF SAHARA PROBLEM WHICH REFLECTED WILL OF PEOPLE.

4. HE DUCKED QUESTIONS ON DETAILS ABOUT POLISARIO MOVEMENT.  
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WHEN ASKED HOW MANY MEMBERS POLISARIO HAD, HE RESPONDED "ALL

THE PEOPLE OF THE SPANISH SAHARA." HE REFUSED TO IDENTIFY ANY OF POLISARIO LEADERS, STRESSING NEED FOR ANONYMITY. WHEN ASKED WHO SUPPORTING POLISARIO HE REPLIED SAHAROU I PEOPLE AND ALL COUNTRIES WHICH SUPPORTED UN RESOLUTIONS. HE DID GRANT POLISARIO HAD CAMPS ALONG ALGERIAN AND MAURITANIAN BORDERS AND THAT POLISARIO HAD RECENTLY STEPPED-UP MILITARY OPERATIONS. IN RESPONSE TO QUESTION, HE STATED THAT PUNS NO LONGER EXISTED AND ALLEGED THAT FSLU SIMPLY CREATION OF COL. DLIMLI AND HAD NO BACKING.

5. WHEN ASKED IF BOUTEFLIKA'S RABAT TRIP HAD CHANGED ALGERIAN POSITION ON SPANISH SAHARA HE SAID NO, QUOTING YAKER'S REMARKS IN KAMPALA AND BOUMEDIENE'S ON JUNE 19. HE SAID ALGERIANS STILL SUPPORTING POLISARIO'S CLAIM FOR SELF-DETERMINATION AND MAINTAINED ALGERIANS HAVE NOT CHANGED THEIR POLICY.

6. UPON DEPARTURE HE PRESENTED EMBOFF WITH COPY OF "LE PEUPLE SAHAROU I EN LUTTE," PRINTED PAMPHLET OF POLISARIO DOCUMENTS, AND SAID HE WOULD BE RETURNING TO CONTINUE DISCUSSIONS. WHILE SAYING HE BASED IN SPANISH SAHARA, HE LEFT LOCAL HOTEL ADDRESS WHERE HE SAID HE COULD GENERALLY BE REACHED.

7. EMBASSY OFFICERS WHO TALKED TO HIM MADE NO COMMENT ON HIS PRESENTATIONS AND EXPRESSED NO INTENTION KEEP UP CONTACT. PARKER

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